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## Many factors in water contamination



MARYANNE FIRTH  
InPort News Staff

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Ryerson University students Roberto Hauer and Jenny Tan collect water samples at the Wainfleet Lake Erie Public Access Beach off Lakeshore Rd.

WAINFLEET — Test the water before diving in.

In recent weeks, popular summer-time destinations, including Nickel Beach in Port Colborne and Long Beach Conservation East in Wainfleet were deemed unsafe to swim in due to unhealthy levels of E. coli bacteria.

Though the beaches have since been retested and declared safe once again by Niagara Region public health, the question arises of just where the bacteria is coming from.

There are many different factors that can contribute to E. coli spikes in local waterways.

High rain events, periods of extreme hot weather, a "high bather load," drainage issues or a large amount of waterfowl can all contribute to high bacteria readings, said Bjorn Christensen.

The region's director of environmental health said on-shore waves can also play a role by stirring up bacteria embedded in the sand.

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■ TESTING

# "It's lake water, not bacteria-free water"

FROM PAGE 1

Each of Niagara's beaches is different, which is why they're regularly tested by public health, Christensen said. Staff who perform water samples use GPS to ensure they're sampling in the same spot at the same depth to maintain consistency.

Regular testing is important, he said, as finding bacteria in lake waterways in not uncommon.

"It's lake water, not bacteria-free water. It's not treated, but natural water."

"You can expect there will be bacteria there," he said, adding the levels "vary constantly."

But it's not just the water of public beaches that should be tested regularly, Christensen said.

Residents who have private

sewage systems, particularly those living on local waterways, are encouraged to provide water samples to the region several times a year.

Homeowners have a responsibility to test their own water quality to ensure their system is working correctly and not contaminating surrounding groundwater, Christensen said.

The region, he said, provides water sampling containers that residents can fill and then send to public health to determine if their system is operating properly.

"We'll then help them to interpret the results."

In accordance with the Ontario Building Code, the region inspects septic systems when they are first installed or upgraded, said Inspector Tina Killins.

Maintenance and monitor-

ing then becomes responsibility of the homeowner.

If notified of a septic system problem, either by the homeowner or on a complaint basis, the region will investigate and issue a work order, where necessary, for repairs.

Septic systems that are not working properly are often quickly identified, Killins said, as sewage can be seen and smelled as it makes its way out of the ground.

For residents with under-saturated a septic tank, holding tanks are often put in place. In order for the region to approve the tank, however,

proof of a hauling contract to have it regularly emptied must be provided to ensure the evidence of any overflow or discharge, Killins said.

Wainfleet will be taking

over septic system inspections from the region this fall and implementing a mandatory inspection of existing systems beginning next spring.

After Niagara Region voted to scrap its controversial plan to extend municipal water and sewer services to the township's lakeshore, a strategy had to be put in place to help stop contamination of Wainfleet's aquifer, said Greg Wuisman, the township's director of operations.

The public health department issued a boil water advisory for the lakeshore area several years ago, and it remains in effect today.

Aging and faulty private septic systems are a "leading cause in the contamination of the aquifer," Wuisman said, adding the ongoing inspection program is expected to

assist with the issue.

The program is still subject to the approval of council. Wuisman was to bring forward an update at Tuesday's Wainfleet council meeting.

It will be up to council to decide whether the program will be mandatory solely for the 1,200 homes within the boil water advisory area or the entire township, Wuisman said.

If the program is approved, a team of staff will begin going door-to-door in the spring to ensure all septic systems are in compliance with the Ontario Building Code.

If a problem is discovered, a work order will be issued for the homeowner to bring the system into compliance.

"This is an alternative to sewer and water servicing," Wuisman said. The so-called Big Pipe project was simply

"too expensive" for the township to afford, he said, but "something has to be done" now that it has been scrapped.

This is the township's chance to improve its aquifer, he said.

"This is a better solution in the long run."

While there have been similar inspection programs in other municipalities, this will be the first carried out to such an extent, Wuisman said.

"This will be groundbreaking."

The inspection program will be ongoing and council will determine whether inspections are performed at homes every three or five years, he said.

In Port Colborne, the inspection of private septic systems will continue to be performed by the region.

■ UFO

# Balloons from wedding party caused 9-1-1 calls

FROM PAGE 1

Oh, wait, it was just a stray balloon from a Saturday night wedding reception.

A representative from Sherston Shores who would not identify herself said a couple was celebrating their wedding at the beach last weekend.

"The whole theme was around the Make a Wish Foundation," she said.

During that celebration, the revelers released lighted helium balloons into the air

above the popular resort.

"That was part of the whole wish. They lit them and they went up," the woman said.

But when campers at the park saw the spectacle that evening, someone called 9-1-1 to report a UFO, she added.

"They just assumed—I don't know what they assumed," she said.

Port Colborne fire prevention officer Mike Bendia said there were several calls to 9-1-1 that night, reporting

something unusual over Lake Erie.

When some callers might have reported seeing

UFOs, he said

the call firefighters responded to was a little more realistic: "We got it (the call) as a hot air balloon down,"



Bendia

Bendia told InPort News last Sunday.

He said the call came in at 10:34 p.m., initially as a call to assist Niagara Regional Police in an investigation. After firefighters called dispatchers on their way to the resort, they were told a camper thought he witnessed a balloon crashing into the lake.

He said firefighters were on scene for about 40 minutes. While there, they spoke to the man who reported the

hot air balloon crash.

Bendia said the balloons were about three feet tall and illuminated.

"It went out over the lake and the guy sitting at his trailer saw this thing and thought it was a hot air balloon from quite a distance away. It was a legitimate call," he said. "But they did get a whack of other calls on it."

The balloon turned out to be wedding balloons that were set off from the quarry,"

Bendia said.

Bendia said firefighters needed to respond just in case.

"If it turned out to be a hot air balloon that was down, there could have been people in it. We do rescue," he said. "That's the stuff. I don't know where that came from. It may have come from the park."

The Sherston Shores representative did not release the identity of the newbies.

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■ CANAL DAYS: City thanks those who help out

## Sponsors and volunteers make event

InPort News Staff

**PORT COLBORNE** — History will meet the future in Port Colborne.

A Canal Days media luncheon was held last week at the Roselawn Centre with the city thanking sponsors and volunteers. The city unveiled the 2011 schedule for the July 29 to August 1 event, and the sponsor list.

"This simply wouldn't be possible without our sponsors and volunteers," Mayor Vance Badaway said. "(These) folks are what makes this happen."

**Port Colborne is not a big city, but**

**it's probably one of the biggest communities in Ontario. That's what makes this work. There is no place like this."**

*Bob Heil, Port Colborne's CAO*

This year, Canal Days features Finger 11 on Saturday July 30, at 7p.m. In Market Square, craft shows, cruises, fireworks, musical performances and a shuttle to and from St. Catharines. For more information pick up your copy of the 2011 Canal Days brochure at city hall or online at [www.canaldays.ca](http://www.canaldays.ca).

The festival not only highlights the city's vibrant history as the port of Niagara, but also displays the business potential of the city to visitors.

Badaway said the canal runs right through the city and it gives businesses the

potential to ship their products all over the world for less using the canal system.

"We are highlighting what we offer future investments being located here," Badaway said.

The festival started off many years ago at Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum to promote the city's maritime history. With a budget of only \$5,000 with a crowd of only 1500, the festival now sees over half a million to attend it and has a budget of more than \$350,000. The event also has more than 100 sponsors, like Algoma Central Corp., which has the largest fleet of vessels that ship goods using the canal.

Greg Wight, president and CEO of Algoma Central Corp., was named grand marshal of the festival and is excited to show his pride and enthusiasm for Port Colborne and the canal.

"(Canal Days) really showcases the community and how they can come together," Wight said.

The city is also putting the spotlight on businesses that thrive in Port Colborne, businesses, like Pinty's Foods that has operated in Port Colborne for almost 50 years.

Pinty's Foods owners Jack and Lee Vanderlaan were honoured with an award for sponsor of the year at the city's luncheon.

"Sponsors and partners make all this possible," said Bob Heil, Port Colborne's CAO. "Port Colborne is not a big city, but it's probably one of the biggest communities in Ontario. That's what makes this work. There is no place like this."



Mayor Vance Badaway displayed his pride last Friday at the city's kick-off luncheon at the Roselawn Centre to thank sponsors and volunteers.

VICTORIA GRAY Staff Photo

## Bike race takes to the trails

InPort News Staff

**PORT COLBORNE** — Mountain bike racers from across Ontario, western New York and as far away as Pennsylvania will take to the trails behind the former Robin Hood during the third Canal Days Mountain Bike Race on Sunday, July 31.

The races were started to raise awareness of the mountain biking trails in Port Colborne and funds generated from the event are put back into the local trail network to purchase supplies and tools to keep up the trails.

There will be adult and youth races, starting on Sherwood Forest Lane and running through the lands behind the former flour mill.

The adult race will see two classes head out on the trails, an expert class running two laps and a sport class running one lap.

According to the Canal Days Mountain Bike Race website, it's a "challenging course of mostly single track with a variety of different terrain from rocky areas to rock gardens, roots, logs, bridge crossings and tight twisty trail sections to make a challenge for even the toughest expert level rider."

The course lap length is approximately 15 kilometres per lap, with expected finish times of 1½ hours to 2 hours in duration for the expert race. Riders will be placed in starting waves based on rider skill level selected during registration.

The adult race, which kicks off at 11 a.m., is limited to the first 300 entries and race registration is available only online at [www.cdmbtr.com](http://www.cdmbtr.com).

The youth race is limited to the first 50 entries the day of the race and registration will close at 9:30 a.m. with the race getting underway

at 10 a.m.

That race is for those 14 and under that "want to feel the excitement of racing. Just for the younger riders, a great fun approximately five kilometre beginner's specific course to make your first race experience a great one."

Registration for both races is at the City Tavern, 202 Main St. W., Port Colborne, starting at 8 a.m. and running until 10 a.m. The City Tavern is the host site for the event and all prizes and awards will be handed out there starting around 2:30 p.m. A post race meal will also be served for all of those who take part in the event.

Medals and prizes for the adult race will be awarded for overall male and female winners and age/gender categories.

For more information see the website at [www.cdmbtr.com](http://www.cdmbtr.com) or e-mail contact at [shorthillscyclingclub.com](mailto:shorthillscyclingclub.com).

## Hitting the road for a good cause

InPort News Staff

**PORT COLBORNE** — Run or walk for a good cause at this year's Canal Days Marine Heritage Festival.

A new five-kilometre walk/run will take place Saturday, July 30, said race director Adam Bunz.

Bunz said said Autism Ontario's Niagara Chapter will benefit from all funds raised through the Canal Days Run and pledges.

For every \$50 raised a runner/walker's name will be placed on a ballot to win prizes.

"There will also be many door prizes for all participants to win from local business in Port Colborne. We would like to thank everyone for their generous support and contributions," he said.

The event about promoting health and wellness, getting out there and having fun. Bunz said it's also about increasing the number of events at Canal Days for a wider group of people.

The run/walk starts on West St., near the Clarence Street Bridge, and will finish at H.H. Knoll Lakeview Park.

Bunz said the event kicks off at 8 a.m., with registration starting at 6:30 a.m., to avoid the large crowds that flood the streets of the city during Canal Days.

Prizes will be handed out after the event at H.H. Knoll Lakeview Park. The overall male and female winners will receive a plaque for their accomplishment, as well as two tickets each to the Saturday night cruise on the Empire Sandy tall ship on July 30. The top three male and female in five age groups will be receiving medals.

For more information or to register, see the website at [www.canaldaysrun.ca](http://www.canaldaysrun.ca) or contact Adam Bunz by email at [info@racezone.ca](mailto:info@racezone.ca).

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## Our view

# Water woes

Every spring-summer in Niagara, water testing is conducted at beaches across Niagara.

The testing is carried out by Niagara Region's public health unit and it's checking for *E. coli* bacteria levels at the beaches. It's carried out the same way every time, with testers using GPS to make sure they are measuring in the same location and same depth as before.

Regular testing uses important said Bjorn Christensen, the region's director of environmental health, as each beach is different.

Almost every beach in Niagara is closed to swimmers at some point due to high levels of the bacteria and usually re-open quickly once retesting is carried out.

There are many different factors that can contribute to *E. coli* spikes in local waterways.

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It's not just the water of public beaches that should be tested regularly; residents who have private sewage systems, particularly those living on rural waterways, are encouraged to provide water samples to the region several times a year.

Homeowners have a responsibility to test their own water quality to ensure their system is working correctly and not contaminating surrounding groundwater, Christensen said. Wainfleet is looking at starting its own septic system inspection program in lieu of the "Big Pipe," a water-sewer pipeline that was proposed for the lakeshore area of the township, being rejected.

We're hopeful this program will take care of the problems associated with septic systems leaking into the lake and local aquifers.

If those systems are fixed, unfortunately it won't be an end to beach closures in south Niagara.

Water in Lake Erie comes straight from Lake Superior and numerous creeks, streams and rivers across the Great Lake watersheds.

Raw sewage still makes its way into the lakes and agricultural and industrial runoff brings a host of problems as well.

Canada and the U.S. need to do all they can to make sure as much pollution as possible is removed from the Great Lakes.

Lake Erie has been declared dead in the past, we don't want to see it die again.

## I'VE BEEN THINKING

GARY TOMLUCK, TITINERATE PREACHER  
Wainfleet Congregational Christian Church

For can be one of the greatest agonies. One of the greatest torments of life. Will my son, grandson, arrive safely home? Will my spouse be all right? What will my doctors report say? Will I live, will I suffer, will I die? Fear fear and more fear.

In our story (Gen 32:22-31) Jacob is experiencing a lot of this. He had stolen his brothers blessing by deception and now brother Esau is coming with 400 men Jacob believes to kill him and his family.

JHIE IS IN SPIRITUAL PAIN Jacob first sends his possessions, his wives and his children ahead. He is not all alone and it's night, Jacob had no one to comfort him, and no one to pray with him. Then an angel of the Lord comes to Jacob and wrestles with him until dawn. (for many hours). Jacob is desperate, he is determined and he will not accept no for an answer. He is pushing, shoving, groaning. He will not give up. Then the angel of the Lord wrenched the socket from Jacob's hip and left him at that. And now God was Jacob where he wants him. Jacob has a disability, he cannot pivot, he can wrestle no longer.

JHIE IS PHYSICALLY LAME Jacob can only hang on and clutch

nothing else but God himself. The struggle is all important. We like Jacob, dislike it but we need it for our own personal growth. Jacob won that great victory and he is given a TU NEW NAME

His former name meant supplanter — he is now supplanted by God. He used to grasp at things now Jacob grasps God. His name Jacob is changed to Israel meaning God rules.

I believe that after this wrestling match and after Jacob crying out I will not let you go that Jacob became a true believer. This happened at a place called Peniel which means face OF GOD. Before Peniel Jacob believed in God, after Peniel Jacob is changed by God. Before people become Christians they may believe in God with their heads only. But after they encounter the risen Christ in a saving relationship they are changed by God forever.

Christians will have I) Spiritual Pain, they maybe II) Physically Lame but they will also have III) A New Name in heaven that God has promised them. For even Jesus himself the greater than Joseph wrestled with God, himself and the Devil as he contemplated the cross. He was also alone and it was dark. This was his ultimate dark night of the soul. So much so that Jesus cried out "MY GOD MY GOD WHY HAS THOU FORSAKEN ME!" He took all of the worlds sons upon himself having never sinned once. Not

## readers' views

### Some clean energy research

Andrew, thanks for pointing me towards research, there is an avalanche out there. I started out with the six turbines in Lowbanks, producing 1.5MW each, totalling 9.9MW, that power 4,000 households. They were built by AIM Power and sold to International Power Canada (IPA), who also built six turbines at Mohawk Point, producing 2.5 MW each, 66 turbines at Norfolk/Biggin County, with an output of 88 MW, or 30,000 homes.

Go to Australia, where they built 10 such projects and are working on three more. Australia hopes to get 33% of its energy needs from wind power by 2020. Germany is working on 175 wind turbines in the North Sea, 35 km from Borkum, with 250,000 households powered or 200 MW. Another project in the Baltic Sea, called 'Rodsand', has 90 turbines, which will serve 230,000

households. In Sweden's Lake Vänern, they have had 10 turbines up and running for years, supposedly the first in a lake.

There is a project, called 'London Array', in the estuary of the Thames. U.K., that will build 175 wind turbines, 1,000 MW or 750,000 households. In Canada, Ontario Hydro plans 880 wind turbines in Lake Erie by 2014.

What do you think, it's a start, isn't it? Are they all living in a dream world, or are they preparing to make the necessary changes toward a green economy? By the way, Germany wants 20% of its electricity needs supplied from green sources in the next few years, and more than 50% by 2030. Will it work? Time will tell.

About the benefit of turbines to the community — it's clean energy. Do you know the Canadian Medical Association estimates 20,000 premature deaths occur yearly in Canada alone from pollution mainly from coal-fired electricity plants? That's the population

in thought, word or deed. And his own father had to turn his back on his own son. He was #1 in SPIRITUAL PAIN.

Jesus was also PHYSICALLY LAME on the cross as his bones were out of joint. JHIE also has a new name, he has many names — EMMANUEL — God With Us, MESSIAH — The Anointed One. His name is above all NAMES.

The key verse is verse 31 — the sun was rising as Jacob left Peniel and he walked with a limp. But it was a victorious limp and now every wobbly step he took reminded Jacob not only of his struggle with God but also of that great victory. How does this apply to us in this day and age.

When you go through your own headaches and heartaches, when you struggle in life do you get onto things or will you grasp onto God and say with Jacob these six precious words. I WILL NOT LET YOU GO. In reality there are only six more precious words than these because the fact is the Lord says to each Christian I WILL NOT LET YOU GO. Our grip upon the Lord is important but his grasp upon us is all important. Remember the SUN rose but also more important remember the SUN rose for you. And he says "Fear not" and pray to the Lord whose name is above every name. Therefore all Blessing, Honour and Glory belong to the ONE sitting on the Throne and to the Lamb Forever — Amen.

Port Colborne each year. Also, have you seen pictures of 'spent fuel rods' from atomic energy plants? They need to be cooled under running water for five to 10 years, then need to be encased in cement, one meter thick, covered in steel, and painted so it doesn't rust for the next 100 years. After that, it needs to be re-packaged every 100 years, for a million years — In other words, forever. Quite a legacy we are content to leave behind.

Doris Toepp  
Port Colborne

### Dr. David Suzuki — Scientist or Environmentalist?

Dr. Suzuki really should decide if he is a scientist who deals with actual facts or an environmentalist who believes dreams are more important than facts.

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## ■ readers' views

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His piece is headlined 'Wind poses fewer dangers than oil: Oil? How many oil fired power stations do we have in Ontario? The comparison, written only to support the anti-Big Oil sentiment beloved by all environmentalists makes no factual sense and sets the stage for an article full of misinformation.

Because of spiralling costs with its alternative energy industry, dependent only on tax subsidies, Spain recently reduced those subsidies by 30%. As a result the two largest solar equipment plants in Europe closed ending 45,000 'green' jobs. Spain's Minister of Alternative Industries is quoted as saying the only way to save those industries was to find other governments willing to spend their own citizens taxes on the industries shown to have failed in Spain. I'm surprised Dr. Suzuki has not researched such facts?

The 'safe' setback distance should suggest that there is factual evidence to indicate there are potentially negative effects that have been recognised? Basic scientific research I would have thought?

Ontario's Green Energy Act does permit a 'safe' setback distance of 550 metres. I wonder why Dr. Suzuki fails to even mention that the majority of European countries

he praises have already increased their own 'safe' setback distances up to two kilometres in some cases and even more in others. An added fact, Denmark and the UK have both increased the 'safe' setback for offshore industrial wind turbines to at least 10 kilometres off shore. I guess if you live in Vancouver the citizens of Ontario being used as guinea pigs is a perfectly acceptable scientific experiment to force an environmentalist agenda through?

I would like to hear the medical and scientific background of Dr. Suzuki, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health (who chose not to investigate a single case out of the more than 1000 reported in Ontario) and Dr. Dora Ann Mills with regard to the every specific study regarding low frequency sounds and vibrations and their effects on both humans and animals?

I'm surprised that Dr. Suzuki appears unaware that the author of a report on which Ontario's CMO based her comments was himself disciplined by his own professional association for putting his name to a report he was not qualified to either conduct or draw conclusions from?

And finally, last week in Ontario on one day, wind produced just 9.5% of its potential capacity which translates into just 0.5% of the provinces

consumer demand and 0.4% of the provinces available capacity. I'm sure Dr. Suzuki could possibly do the math and tell us in his next article just how many industrial wind turbines Ontario will need to provide the energy 'promised' by wind energy companies, promises that so far have never been matched with fact in any country where they have been made.

It also good to hear that improvements in technology may reduce the mortality rate of the millions of bats and birds already known to have been killed by these industrial machines. Gives me all sorts of nice warm and fuzzy environmentalist feelings doesn't it?

Andrew Watts  
Watfjeet

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## ■ COLUMN

## Carnival a roaring success

LINDSAY COSTELLO  
Special to InPort News

It was a roaring good time for locals as the Lion's Club Carnival hit Port Colborne last week. The 81st annual event began on Wednesday and provided five days of fun before its Sunday evening close.

Rides, midway games, raffles and classic carnival food took over the Lion's Field at the corner of Elm and Killaly St. as thousands descended upon the grounds to come and go as they pleased and came out in the thousands to enjoy the atmosphere.

Zavitz has been a club member and helped out with the carnival for more than 40 years and has seen the small changes to the event's mostly formulaic structure.

events and takes the majority of the year to pull together, with talk of the next year's carnival beginning every September.

He said this year's event was well attended throughout. "We have a good turnout," he said, "We've had great weather."

With no admission charge, carnival lovers were free to come and go as they pleased and came out in the thousands to enjoy the atmosphere.

Nides and games for all

ages are carnival staples but with different draw prizes and food offered, the five-day event has varied from year to year but remains an event that features something for everyone.

Ross Luck, another long-time Lion, said the carnival treats are a must for many. "The waffles and donuts are probably the most popular food," he said, adding visitors would remain lined up after the carnival had closed just to purchase the donuts.

Beef on a bun was also available and Fish Fry Thursday was the theme on the carnival's second day open.

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## ■ COSTELLO

# Slight changes, but same good time

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When asked what moments stuck out to him over the years, Tuck recalled the addition of a new building on the Lion's field 31 years ago. The new kitchen area helped the club offer a wider variety of things to eat. He and Zavitz saw this as one of the upgrades that shaped the event because it made food preparations easier as it replaced a small shack-like building that once stood on the field.

Several raffles were held throughout the week, with the largest prizes being two brand new cars that have been raffled off all year and will be given away later on in the summer.

Wrestling shows are relatively new to the carnival and have been

a fixture over the past six years. Local wrestling group PWA Niagara set up a ring on Saturday evening and held matches for the group of several hundred that surrounded the baseball diamond.

Although the carnival has seen changes over the years, it has maintained its general structure and consistently brought a crowd into the city in order to raise money for the community. The Port Colborne Lions Club will celebrate its 90th anniversary this fall and will continue to offer a local carnival next summer.

*If you know of a community event you would like to see featured, please e-mail your ideas to [lindsaycostello@hotmail.com](mailto:lindsaycostello@hotmail.com).*



The Fireball was a popular ride at the Lion's Carnival, throwing riders for a loop as they found themselves upside down above the field. **LINDSAY COSTELLO** InPort News Photo

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### FLIP OUT AT CANAL DAYS

PORT COLBORNE — Flip out at Canal Days.

The TD Caravan wants to help Canal Days visitors capture their experiences by offering a free personalized flip book to everyone who stops by West St., north of the Wine Garden for the length of the festival.

"At TD we're all about creating experiences that put the customer at the centre of everything we do," said Tashlin Hirani, manager of corporate and public affairs at TD Bank Group.

Canal Day's visitors can pick out photos having something to do with the festival, silly or serious, and have a 30-second video made of friends, families

or whoever you can grab.

The video is made into stills, printed, stapled together and given to the participant in colour to flip through and create an animation.

"People were surprised they could do it more than once," Hirani said. "It's just about capturing the moment with your loved ones."

The 3x2 inch booklet, with the date and Canal Days printed on the front, is prepared in about 15 minutes from start to


finish. TD Caravan's crew can prepare up to 90 an hour, and though there is usually a line up its first two festivals have been a success. "That's the beauty of it, you can enjoy the festival and come back and get it," she said. "That's how we keep the line moving."

Hirani said TD has supported the Niagara and Hamilton regions significantly for several years and it is TD's goal to invest in communities because it are part of those communities.

"It's important to us to invest in communities where our employees live and work," she said.

Hirani was surprised at their last event to discover people from all walks of life trying out the flip book. She saw not only kids, but parents, friends, couples and families doing it. She even saw people bringing their dogs over to do tricks for the camera.

"It is literally for everybody," she said.



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■ NOT ENOUGH: Transport Canada plan not acceptable

# Safety at Mellanby Ave. bridge still a concern

InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — The family and friends of Joshua Mack won't rest until the Mellanby Ave. bridge is safe. Several people attended

council last week to hear about proposed changes to the intersection of Mellanby and Welland St. where Mack lost his life in 2008. The 24-year-old Ridgeway man died after his vehicle

entered the Welland Canal at the raised Jackknife Bridge, Bridge 19A, on Mellanby. His loved ones have since been lobbying for changes to ensure such a tragedy does not happen again.

But the resolution recommended by Transport Canada and presented by the St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corp. was not acceptable to the family, or to council.

It calls for the installation of a traffic arm in the southbound right turning lane on Welland St. that would deter vehicles from turning when the bridge is up.

The arm would act as a warning device with flashing lights, "not as a safety barrier," Leonard Swift, the seaway's manager of electrical engineering, told council and the crowd. Signage has already been put in place to provide notice to drivers when the bridge is up, he added.

Ward 3 Coun. Frank Danch raised concerns that the arm would easily be taken out by the wide-turning tractor trailers that frequent the intersection.

"The positioning of it is questionable," he said.

City manager Bob Hell also questioned the positioning, which does nothing to block northbound traffic from turning onto Mellanby while the

bridge is up. Southbound drivers could even bypass the traffic arm, he said, and turn from the centre lane.

Instead of installing the proposed traffic arm, the seaway should look into bringing the existing gates, which stop traffic quite close to the water's edge, flush with Welland St., said Ward 1 Coun. Dave Elliott.

This would prevent anyone from turning onto Mellanby while the bridge is up, he added.

Mayor Vance Badawey agreed that bringing the existing gates out would be the best solution.

He suggested council send the proposal back to Transport Canada and instead of having a "traffic expert come and play in Port Colborne for the next three months," provide them with their own recommendation.

Badawey credited the seaway and Transport Canada for their efforts in trying to make a change, but said moving the existing gates is a more viable solution.

A traffic arm is simply not enough, said Dave Rapcevic,

Mack's stepfather. Access must be prevented from both directions, he added.

Rapcevic said he appreciates that something is finally being done but he hopes to see a proper resolution put in place.

Mack's friend Cory Simon told council it's upsetting to hear the use of the word "gate" to refer to the current mechanism in place, which can be considered "fibre glass arms at most."

"It's beyond acceptable," he said of the bridge's current safety mechanism, adding a barrier needs to be put in place to prevent a vehicle from entering the water.

The other side of the weight that blocks the roadway when the bridge is up, Simon said. "Only one side of that bridge is protected, the other is a liability."

Elliott put forth the motion that the proposal be sent back to Transport Canada and the city's suggestion of finding a suitable mechanism that runs flush to Welland St. be put in place. It was passed unanimously.



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Dated at Haldimand County and Niagara Region this the 6th of July, 2011

Niagara Region Wind Corporation is planning to engage in a renewable energy project in respect of which the issuance of a renewable energy approval is required. The distribution of this notice of a proposal to engage in this renewable energy project and the project itself are subject to the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act (ACT) Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with section 15 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment.

**Project Description:** Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the facility, in respect of which the project is to be engaged in, is considered to be a Class 4 Wind Facility. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum name plate capacity of 230 MW. The

project location is described in the map below.

This project is being proposed in accordance with the requirements of the Act and Regulation. The Draft Project Description Report titled Niagara Region Wind Project – Draft Project Description Report describes the facility as a wind farm that will be used to convert wind to electricity. A written copy of the Draft Project Description Report will be made available for public inspection at [www.nrwc.ca](http://www.nrwc.ca).

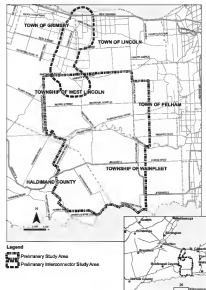
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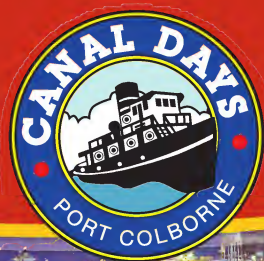
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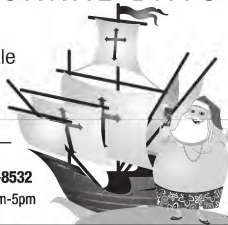
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# Empire Sandy

## Tall Ship Cruises

### Cruise schedule

#### THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2011

##### Cruise Through the Locks

Boarding at Port Dalhousie: 9 a.m., Sailing: 9:30 a.m.

Approximate arrival in Port Colborne: 6 p.m.

Price per person: \$97.75 MAX: 150 Guests

#### FRIDAY, JULY 29, 2011

##### Sunset Evening Cruise

Boarding: 6:30 p.m., Sailing: 7 p.m., Return: 9 p.m.

Price per person: \$30 MAX: 275 Guests

#### SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2011

##### Morning Cruise

Boarding: 10:30 a.m., Sailing: 10:45 a.m., Return: 12:45 p.m.

Price per person: \$15 MAX: 275 Guests

##### Afternoon Cruise

Boarding: 1:45 p.m., Sailing: 2 p.m., Return: 4 p.m.

Price per person: \$15 MAX: 275 Guests

##### Dinner Cruise

Boarding: 6:30 p.m., Sailing: 7 p.m., Return: 11 p.m.

Price per person: \$69.00

MAX: 230 Guests

#### SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2011

##### Morning Cruise

Boarding: 10:30 a.m., Sailing: 10:45 a.m., Return: 12:45 p.m.

Price per person: \$15 MAX: 275 Guests

##### Afternoon Cruise

Boarding: 1:45 p.m., Sailing: 2 p.m., Return: 4 p.m.

Price per person: \$15 MAX: 275 Guests

##### Fireworks Dinner Cruise

Boarding: 5:30 p.m., Sailing: 6 p.m., Return: 10 p.m.

Price per person: \$95.00 MAX: 230 Guests

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2011

##### Morning Cruise

Boarding: 10:30 a.m., Sailing: 10:45 a.m., Return: 12:45 p.m.

Price per person: \$15 MAX: 275 Guests

##### Afternoon Cruise

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# Events Schedule

At this year's Canal Days Marine Heritage Festival there are so many events and activities to enjoy and share - truly something for everyone, from ship watchers, automotive enthusiasts, music lovers, food connoisseurs and cyclists. Come to Canal Days and bring the entire family.

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## THURSDAY, July 28

### Empire Sandy Canal Cruise

Lake Ontario to Lake Erie.  
\$97.75 each through the Roselawn Box Office, 905-834-0833  
8:00am FREE Shuttle bus boarding at Port Colborne - Market Square  
9:00am Ship boarding at Westcliffe Park and Marina, Port Dalhousie  
9:30am Canal Cruise departs Port Dalhousie  
8:00pm Empire Sandy arrives in Port Colborne  
8:00pm Shuttle bus returns to Port Dalhousie  
\* Arrival times subject to change

## FRIDAY, July 29

**7:00am - 11am** ... **Canal Days Farmer's Market** at Market Square  
**8:00am - 11am** ... **Breakfast Royal Canadian Branch 56 Legion**  
**12:00pm** ... **West Street** Retail Vendors, Exhibits, Taste of Canal Days Food Courts, Canal Days Golf Challenge hosted by Whisky Run  
**12:00pm - 5:00pm** ... **Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum**, Free Admission, 280 King St. at Princess St.  
**2:00pm - 4:00pm** ... **Edwardian Tea** Arabella's on Museum grounds  
**4:00pm - 1:00am** ... **Canal Days Shuttles** from West Side Road and West Side Arena to festival activities  
**5:00pm** ... **Princess Street** Midway Rides and amusements  
**5:00pm** ... **Toonie Ferris Wheel** on West Street at Sugarloaf  
**7:00pm - 11:00pm** ... **Youth Stage Entertainment** H.H. Knoll Lakeview Park presented by 2101.1  
**6:30pm** ... **Sunset Cruise** Empire Sandy boarding begins on West Street - \$20 per person  
**7:00pm** ... **Live at Market Square Helix and Nazareth** presented by Giant 91.7 - All ages, donations accepted at gates, No outside chairs, strollers or beverage containers permitted within the Beer Garden. ID will be checked at Beer Garden where service will end at 12:00am.  
**12:30am** ... **Market Square closes**

## SATURDAY, July 30

**8:00am** ... **Canal Days 5km Run** registration begins at 6:30am, West Street  
**8:00am - 11am** ... **Breakfast Royal Canadian Branch 56 Legion**  
**9:00am - 12:00pm** ... **Breakfast** at Port Colborne Senior Citizen's Recreation Centre, 554 Fielden Ave, \$5 members \$6 non-members  
**9:15am** ... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service from St Catharines to Canal Days  
**10:00am - 5:00pm** ... **Canal Days Craft Show** at West Side Arena. 60 juried crafters. Admission is free (to 5pm)  
**10:00am - 1:00am** ... **Canal Days Shuttles** from West Side Road and West Side Arena to festival activities

### Saturday continued

**10:00am** ... **West Street** Retail Vendors, Exhibits, Taste of Canal Days Food Courts, Canal Days Golf Challenge hosted by Whisky Run, Toonie Ferris Wheel, First Nations Exhibits  
**10:00am** ... **Princess Street** Niagara Skyhunters Birds of Prey and Reptiles, Midway Rides and amusements on Princess Street  
**10:30am** ... **Morning Cruise** Empire Sandy boarding begins on West Street - 10:45am Morning Cruise \$15 per person  
**11:00am** ... **Fireboat EM Cotter** arrives on West Street  
**11:00am - 6:00pm** ... **Wattman Children's Train rides** - FREE at Bridge 21  
**11:00am** ... **Enbridge Children's Area** opens at Seaway Park, colouring, inflatables and toddler play area, private baby change area  
**11:00am - 5:00pm** ... **Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum** - 280 King St. at Princess \$2 Admission. Members and children under 12 free.  
**11:00am to 5:00pm** ... **Car Show**  
**11:30am** ... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service from St Catharines to Canal Days  
**11:30am - 4:30pm** ... **Ancient Mariners** Perform at Museum  
**12:00pm - 3:00pm** ... **Roselawn Centre** presents **Garden Swing Jazz on the lawn with The Toronto All Star Big Band**, 296 Fielden Av at Carter St., Licensed, Food available  
**12:00pm - 4:00pm** ... On the Hour: **Remote Control Model Boat Show** at the Museum  
**12:00 - 6:00pm** ... **Canal Days Buskers** at various locations  
**1:00pm - 4:00pm** ... **Edwardian Tea** at Arabella's on Museum grounds  
**1:45pm** ... **Afternoon Cruise** Empire Sandy boarding on West St - 2:00pm, \$15 per person  
**2:00pm** ... **Wrecks and Relics** Exhibit Launch at the Museum  
**2:15pm** ... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service from St Catharines to Canal Days  
**7:00pm** ... **Live at Market Square, Bleeker Ridge, Whale Tooth and Finger Eleven** presented by HTZ 97.7. All ages, donations accepted at gates, No outside chairs, strollers or beverage containers permitted within the Beer Garden. ID will be checked at Beer Garden where service will end at 12:00am.  
**6:30pm** ... **Dinner Cruise** Empire Sandy boarding on West Street - at 7:00pm \$69.00 per person  
**8:00pm** ... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service return from Canal Days to St Catharines  
**9:00pm** ... **Niagara Windriders** Kite Night-Fly, HH Knoll Park  
**12:30am** ... **Market Square Closes**  
**1:00am** ... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service return from Canal Days to St Catharines



Events and times are subject to change. Please follow us on Facebook for the latest updates on events at [Facebook.com/canaldays](http://Facebook.com/canaldays)

## SUNDAY, July 31

- 7:30am** ..... **Breakfast** at the Sugarloaf Harbour Marina Pavilion
- 8:00 am – 11 am** ..... **Breakfast** Royal Canadian Branch 56 Legion
- 8:00am – 4:00pm** ..... **Canal Days Car Show** HH Knoll Park, Free Admission, Food Donations accepted, Food Vendors, Free registration, Over 50 awards, Live Entertainment
- 8:00am** ..... **Canal Days Mountain Bike Race** Registration at City Tavern, Presented by Shorthills Cycling Club, [cdmbr.com](http://cdmbr.com)
- 10:00am** 5KM Youth Race Starts  
**11:00am** 30KM Adult Race Starts
- 9:00am** ..... **Canal Days Craft Show** at West Side Arena. 60 juried crafters. Admission is free (to 5pm)
- 9:15am** ..... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service from St Catharines to Canal Days
- 10:00am – 1:00am** ..... **Canal Days shuttles** from West Side Road and West Side arena to festival activities
- 10:00am** ..... **West Street** Retail Vendors, Exhibits, Taste of Canal Days Food Courts, Toonie Ferris Wheel, First Nations Exhibits
- 10:00am** ..... **Princess Street** Niagara Skyhunters Birds of Prey and Reptiles, Midway Rides and amusements on Princess Street
- 10:00am – 4:30pm** ..... **Canal Days Kite Festival** HH Knoll Park, free admission, Single Line and Sport Kite Field, Teddy Bear Drops for children, Giant Kites, Japanese Battle Kites **2:00pm Grand Ascension of Kites** HH Knoll Park
- 10:30am** ..... **Morning Cruise** Empire Sandy boarding begins on West Street – 10:45am \$15 per person
- 11:00am – 6:00pm** ..... **Wattman Children's Train** rides at Bridge 21
- 11:00am** ..... **Enbridge Children's Area** opens at Seaway Park, colouring, inflatables and toddler play area, private baby change area
- 11:00am – 5:00pm** ..... **Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum** - 280 King St at Princess \$2 Admission. Members and children under 12 free
- 11:30am** ..... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service from St Catharines to Canal Days
- 11:30am – 4:30pm** ..... **Against the Grain** Perform at Museum
- 12:00pm – 6:00pm** ..... **Canal Days Baskers** at various locations
- 1:00pm – 4:00pm** ..... **Edwardian Tea** at Arabella's on Museum grounds
- 1:45pm** ..... **Afternoon Cruise** Empire Sandy boarding on West St – 2:00pm, \$15 per person
- 2:00pm – 3:00pm** ..... **Town Crier Competition** at Museum
- 2:15pm** ..... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service from St Catharines to Canal Days
- 3:00pm – 4:30** ..... **Croquet Tournament** at the Museum
- 5:30pm** ..... **Fireworks Dinner Cruise** Empire Sandy boarding begins on West Street – 6:00pm \$95.00 per person
- 7:00pm** ..... **Live at Market Square**, The Niagara Collective featuring: **Song Writer's Circle, Black Majik Movement, Guv'ner Generals, Street Pharmacy & Up Yer Kilt**. All ages, donations accepted at

gates, No outside chairs, strollers or beverage containers permitted within the Beer Garden. ID will be checked at Beer Garden where service will end at 12:00am.

- 8:00pm** ..... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service return from Canal Days to St Catharines
- 9:15pm** ..... Welland Canal **Boat Parade of Lights**
- 10:00pm** ..... **Canal Days Fireworks Spectacular** over the Welland Canal at West St, Presented by Rankin Construction
- 12:30am** ..... **Market Square closes**
- 1:00am** ..... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service return from Canal Days to St Catharines

## MONDAY, August 1

- 8:00 am – 11 am** ..... **Breakfast** Royal Canadian Branch 56 Legion
- 9:15am** ..... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service from St Catharines to Canal Days
- 10:00am – 6:00am** ..... **Canal Days Shuttles** from West Side Road and West Side Arena to festival activities
- 10:00am** ..... **West Street** Retail Vendors, Exhibits, Taste of Canal Days Food Courts, Toonie Ferris Wheel
- 10:00am** ..... **Princess Street** Niagara Skyhunters Birds of Prey and Reptiles, Midway Rides and amusements on Princess Street
- 10:30am** ..... **Morning Cruise** Empire Sandy boarding begins on West Street – 10:45am \$15 per person
- 11:00am** ..... **Enbridge Children's Area** opens at Seaway Park, colouring, inflatables and toddler play area, private baby change area
- 11:00am – 6:00pm** ..... **Wattman Children's Train** rides at Bridge 21
- 12 pm** ..... **Canal Days at Market Square**, **Sister Act and The Caverners**, **Port Colborne Lions Club Car Giveaway** and **Lioness Art Raffle** - Port Colborne Hospital Foundation Draw, outside chairs and strollers welcome, donations accepted at gate, All ages, Bar sales until 5:00pm, ID will be checked at bar.
- 12:00pm – 6:00pm** ..... **Canal Days Baskers** at various locations
- 12:00 pm – 5:00pm** ..... **Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum**, Free Admission, 280 King St. at Princess St.
- 1:45pm** ..... **Afternoon Cruise** Empire Sandy boarding begins on West Street – 2:00pm \$15 per person
- 2:00pm – 4:00pm** ..... **Edwardian Tea** at Arabella's on Museum grounds
- 3:00pm** ..... **Showboat Festival Theatre Duck Race** on the Welland Canal, West St at Charlotte St
- 5:00pm** ..... **St Catharines Transit Shuttle** Service return from Canal Days to St Catharines
- 5:30pm** ..... **Market Square Closes**  
Last shuttle at 6:00pm
- 6:00pm** ..... **Canal Days 2011 Closes**  
Last shuttle at 6:00pm



# Family Fun Activities and

## Challenge the Canal

Whisky Run Golf Course challenges you to hit a golf ball across the Welland Canal. Hit a golf ball approximately 125 yards to clear the canal and win a 9-hole pass to play the Owl Course. Hit a golf ball 145 yards to stay on the sand green and win a 18-hole pass.

\$2.00 for one golf ball

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## The Feel of freedom

Bring the family for a stunning aerial display of art and science at the Canal Days Kite Festival



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## Showtimes

### SATURDAY

9:00 pm Night Kite Fly

### SUNDAY

10:00 am Free Fly  
1:00 pm Single-line & Sport Kite Fields  
2:00 pm Grand Ascension,  
30m Chinese Dragon Kite  
Aquarium in the Sky  
2:30 pm Teddy Bear Drops for Kids  
3:30 pm Rokkaku & Fighter Kites  
3:30 pm Demonstrations by

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### WEDNESDAY

Rib Night - One Pound & Fries \*13

### THURSDAY

Medium Pizza Cheese & Pepperoni & 10 Wings & a Pitcher of Beer \*25

### FRIDAY

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### SATURDAY

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**Free Youth MTB Race:** Registration open on race day at 8:00am - 9:00am for this 5km youth race. Race starts at 10:00am sharp. For those 10 yrs of age and under that want to test the excitement of racing. Just for the younger riders, a great fun approximately 30m beginner race to course to make your first race experience a great one!

### Details

Advanced registration from noon until July 30 at noon (12:00pm) and scheduled on the first 300 riders registered. **No day of registration for adult race.**

Online registration at [www.combr.com](http://www.combr.com)

8:00-10:00am Race Day Rider Sign-in  
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# Family Fun Activities & Entertainment



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**Saturday-Monday:**  
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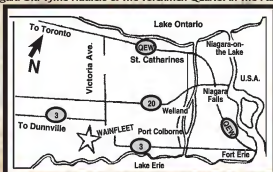
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# Lions Carnival thrives with sunny skies

ALLAN BENNER  
InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — Usually, it rains during the Port Colborne Lions Carnival. But not this year.

"I think this is the first time ever that I can remember no rain during the carnival," event chairman Larry Czinege said.

"Usually, we always get one or two days of rain, but this has been great."

Instead, the Lions had to contend with scorching temperatures. He said once the sun began to set and the day cooled off, the crowds were being coming in.

"The crowds have been pretty decent," he said.

Meanwhile, recognizing

the state of the economy, the Lions strove to give visitors the best value they could this year.

For instance, Lions Club member Angelo Alberti, who is also a butcher, provided homemade sausages and hamburger patties for the event.

While they were bigger and made for better meals than the meats the Lions have sold

in the past, the service didn't increase the price they asked for them.

And children could spend all day on the carnival rides with the purchase of \$15 wrist bands, said Lion Dave Beck, who organized the draw being held for a brand new car.

He added that people were lining up for the food the

volunteers prepared, such as doughnuts and waffles, and fish and chips last Thursday and Friday.

Though the funds raised during the event were still being tallied, Czinege said proceeds were "pretty much on par with previous years."

Despite the economy, Beck said the people of Port Colborne always show tre-

mendous support for the annual event.

Czinege also said the Lions always try changing things every year.

"You always try to come up with a different twist to it. It's not easy. It takes a lot of effort and lot of volunteers, for sure," he said.

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## ■ CARNIVAL

## Friends lend Lions a hand

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"We're a small group, but everyone gets along very well and we do a lot of different things. Everybody's got to pitch in."

He said there are only 22 active Lions Club members and without the help of hun-

dreds of volunteers, events such as the Lions Carnival wouldn't be possible.

Tickets for the car draw will also be available during Canal Days, at Tucks Jewellers and from Lions Club members. They cost \$10 each or three tickets for \$20.



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Satya Davis Agostino, right, claims her catch as mother Kelly Davis holds the rod at the fishing game at the Port Colborne Lions Carnival.



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■ EXPANDING: Community growing

# Retirement community celebrates 25th anniversary

ALLAN BENNER  
InPort News Staff

PORT COLBORNE — Has it really been that long? Twenty-five years ago, there was

an empty field along Steele St. where a cement plant once stood. In the many years since, a community has emerged there as developer Lester Shoalts made his vision a reality. "Is that what it is, 25 years? I guess

maybe it is, isn't it?" Shoalts said.

That development happened one step at a time to now include a long-term care home, seniors townhouses, a church and medical offices. On Saturday, the staff and

residents of Portal Village invited the community to help them celebrate the milestone with a car show and open house.

Tracey Dewar, director of marketing for the long-term-care home, couldn't believe it's been 25 years either.

"Isn't that amazing? It was 25 years in May," she said. The facility continues to expand, with another 19 rooms just added in March.

Shoalts, who owns a classic car himself, took time to admire other gleaming classic and antique cars that were on display at the car show, like a bright red 1979 Fiat X19, owned by Elisio Passero, that looked as though it just rolled off the assembly line in Italy.

"The old Chev's nice, isn't it? Isn't that beautiful?" he asked, gesturing to a 1933 Chevrolet.

Dewar said the event is one of several planned over the weeks ahead to commemorate the anniversary.

"We're hosting 25 events for 25 years," she said.

The final celebration will be held in September for families and



ALLAN BENNER Staff Photo  
A car show was part of Portal Village's 25th anniversary celebrations last weekend.

friends of residents.

General manager Ray Barlow said Portal Village has become a "tremendous community" over the years.

"I think what's neat about the Portal Village community is there's lots to do around here," he said, adding it's a "nice fit" within the community that surrounds it.

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MARYANNE FIRTH  
InPort News Staff

**PORT COLBORNE** — Get ready to Rock in the Park. There will be a wealth of music flowing from H.H. Knoll Lakeview Park Saturday as the third annual Rock in the Park event takes over.

Hosted by UberYouth, the day-long concert features a long lineup of local talent scheduled to keep the crowd entertained.

"Help support local artists," said Ben Andres, who is co-organizing the event with the help of Rita Smith.

He encouraged people to come out, enjoy the free

show and discover some of the many talented musicians Niagara has to offer.

Rock in the Park is also a day to encourage youth to get involved in the arts, said Andres, who is hoping for a large turnout.

Hitting the main stage beginning at 3 p.m. are Pompeii Henge, Young Wife,

In Contemporary Society, Northern Primitive, Face, Hunters & Anglers, Avoiding the Afterlife, Elk, Canyon Carvers, Thousand Young, King's Pawn Three, Black Majik Movement and the Autumn Crush.

The acoustic stage will feature Jesse Roper, Samantha Bernard,

LeStack, Eric Smith, MattDeliMusic, Lindsay Alward, Jordan Raycroft and Skip Robinson.

Along with the bands that will be selling CDs and merchandise, several groups will have booths set up including AIDS Niagara, Music for Peace, Blacktop Records, Bridges Community Health

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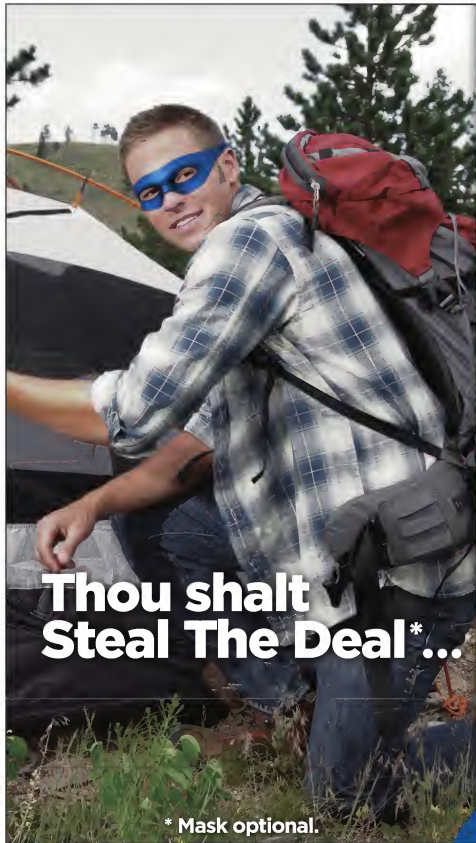
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# PUPPO'S

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Prince Charles  
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**PUPPO'S BAKERY**  
FRESH BAKED  
**BATARD  
BREAD** **SAVE 69¢** \$1  
275g

**Ideal for BAR-BQ**  
PUPPO'S MEDIUM GROUND  
**BEEF  
PATTIES** 3.5 oz **SAVE 69¢** \$1  
Each

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CUT FROM CANADA AA AND AAA BEEF  
**PUPPO'S LEAN  
GROUND BEEF**

COMPARE  
THE  
QUALITY

**1 99**  
lb.  
3 Pkg Limit

**Ideal for BAR-BQ**  
CUT FROM OMAHA CHOICE BEEF  
BONELESS  
**NEW YORK STRIP STEAKS**

1/2  
PRICE

**6 99**  
lb.

**Marinate and BAR-BQ**

CUT FROM ONTARIO AAA BEEF  
**BONELESS  
SIRLOIN TIP  
STEAKS**

**SAVE \$40 U.S.**  
**3 99**  
lb.

**DELI Specials**

*Pilfers*  
**BLACK FOREST  
HAM**  
*Schmied's 1890*  
**STRING TIED  
ROAST  
PORK**

1/2  
PRICE  
**2 99**  
lb.

1/2  
PRICE  
**4 99**  
lb.

*Salerno Cheese*  
**MOZZARELLA  
CHEESE**

**4 99**  
lb.

**Ideal for BAR-BQ**

**FRESH ONTARIO PORK  
SHOULDER BUTT  
STEAKS**

**SAVE \$40 U.S.**  
**1 99**  
lb.

**Ideal for BAR-BQ**

**FRESH PORK**  
PUPPO'S HOT or MILD  
**ITALIAN SAUSAGE**

**SAVE \$40 U.S.**  
**3 99**  
lb.

**D'ITALIANO  
BREAD**

675g loaf

**2/\$4**



**CHAPMAN'S  
PREMIUM ICE CREAM  
OR YOGURT**

**SAVE \$200**  
**3 99**  
2 Litre Tub



**CASHMERE 2PLY  
BATHROOM TISSUE**

Pkg of 12 Double Rolls



**4 99**  
3 Pkg  
Limit

**MULTIGRAIN OR HONEY NUT  
CHEERIOS**

**LUCKY CHARMS**  
560g/685g Box  
**4 99**



**BRAVO  
SPAGHETTI SAUCE**

680 ml can  
**\$1**



**CLOVERLEAF  
FLAKED LIGHT  
TUNA**  
in water

170g can  
**\$1**



**POWERADE**

710 ml Bottle  
**\$1**



**CORED READY TO EAT  
GOLD PINEAPPLE**

**3 99**  
each



**NO. 1 GRADE ONTARIO  
NEW WHITE POTATOES**

**3 99**  
10 lb. Bag



**NO. 1 GRADE ONTARIO  
CHERRY TOMATOES**

**1 99**  
pint



**FRESH CUT  
WATERMELON**

**69¢**  
lb.



**NO. 1 GRADE ARIZONA  
BABY GREENS**

**2 99**  
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Lb. Bags



**NO. 1 GRADE ONTARIO  
MINI CARROTS**

**99¢**  
12 oz. Bag

